the non-hereditary offices may either be made pensionable or the appointments continued to the members of the incumbent's family.

Reply of Government.—Fitness to discharge the duties of the office that may fall vacant has to be carefully considered in each case before making the appointment. The grant of pension is out of the question.

Subject No. 39.
Arrangements for delivery of religious sermons.

Summary of discussion.—Arrangements may be made in all Devastanams for religious sermons being delivered once every day, week or fortnight.

Reply of Government.—Noted.

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Subject No. 40.
(a) A separate officer for Civil, Criminal & Registration work in each Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) A separate officer may be appointed for each Taluk for dealing with Civil and Criminal Cases in addition to Registration work, or Sub-Registrars may be empowered to deal with such cases, or Civil Courts may be ordered to be held once in three months in Taluk kasbas, to obviate the inconvenience and save the expenses to which parties are put at present by long adjournments in civil cases. Such adjournments may also be prevented by stringent rules and regulations.

Reply of Government.—The appointment of a separate officer as proposed is neither necessary nor possible. The representation as regards adjournments will be referred to the Chief Court.

(b) Frequent adjournments of Civil Suits.

Summary of discussion.—(*b*) The frequent adjournments of suits in Civil Courts cause loss and inconvenience to parties. There should therefore be a limit to the number of hearings.

Reply of Government.—*Vide* reply to Subject No. 40 (*a*) above.

Subject No. 41.
Fradulent transfers of property.

Summary of discussion.—Fraudulent transfers of or and the same property by sale, mortgage, &c., to severa persons must be prohibited and the persons so transferrin should be prosecuted.

Reply of Government.—The Government can do nothin in this matter. Redress must be sought in the prope Courts.

Subject No. 42.
(a) Licenses under the Arms Regulation.

Summary of discussion.—(*a*) Final orders are prayed for on the subject of exempting sahucars and landholders and Members of the District Fund and Municipal Boards and of the Representative Assembly from the operation of the Arms Regulation.

Reply of Government.—Members of the Representative Assembly will be exempted so long as they hold office as such. The case of the others will be reserved for consideration.